

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 407

By Griffey

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Blake Kennedy on being named Tennessee FFA's 2019 Star in Agribusiness.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly recognize those Tennessee students who, through their commitment to excellence, astute leadership, and various accomplishments, have earned widespread acclaim; and

WHEREAS, Blake Kennedy of Puryear is one such sterling individual, who has been named Tennessee FFA's 2019 Star in Agribusiness, one of the highest honors bestowed by the FFA at the state level; and

WHEREAS, Star recognition is awarded to the top students in five areas who best demonstrate superior Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects, which are required for all FFA members; Mr. Kennedy has won three proficiency areas in vegetable production, agricultural sales, and diversified crop production; and

WHEREAS, Blake Kennedy is the owner and operator of Kennedy Farms Produce, which grows a wide array of vegetables and fruits that Mr. Kennedy then sells at the Henry County Farmers Market and throughout the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, through his business, Mr. Kennedy has learned how to work with the public and build relationships in his community, which has helped him expand his business to include not only selling at local businesses but also selling his produce through wholesale markets; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his business and his involvement with FFA, Blake Kennedy is a standout student; upon graduating from high school, he plans to attend Murray State University; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments are a great source of pride for his parents, Chad and Stephanie Kennedy, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that we recognize Mr. Kennedy at this time; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and congratulate Blake Kennedy on being named the Tennessee FFA's 2019 Star in Agribusiness, applaud his many accomplishments, and extend our best wishes for his continued success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.